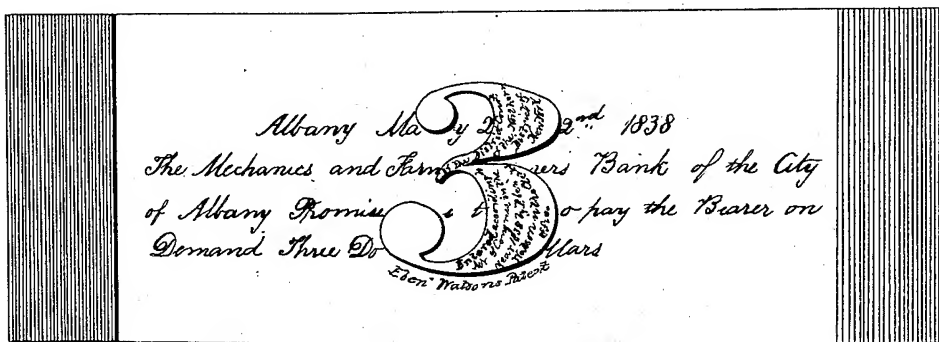
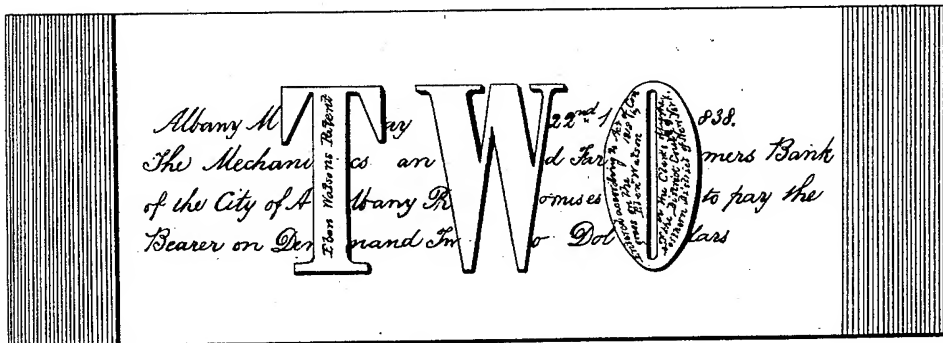
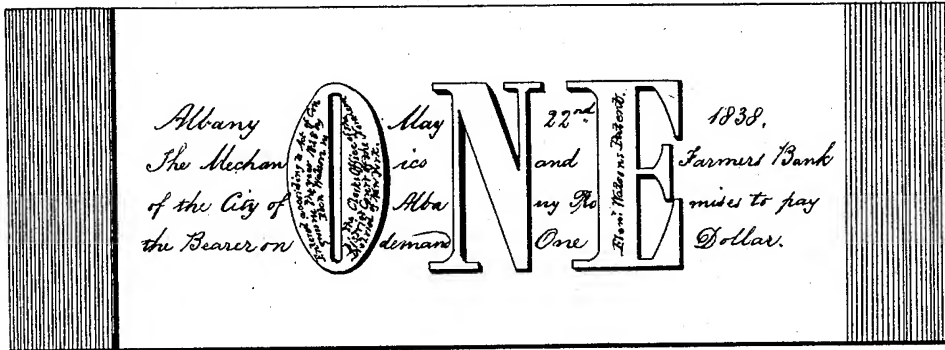


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MODE OF PROTECTING NOTES, CHECKS, &c., FROM ALTERATION.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EBENEZER WATSON, of the city of Albany, in the county of Albany and State of New York, have invented
5 a new mode of protection against the alteration of bank-notes, bills of credit, circulating notes, certificates of stock, and other instruments of writing by any change of the sum thereof; and I do declare that the following is a full and exact description.
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The nature of my invention consists in engraving, printing or any way expressing the sum in large letters, words or figures on the face of the note, &c., and so disposing

the words or other matter of the body of the note, &c., as therewith to fill up the spaces between such large letters, words or figures, and between the parts thereof, but not to cover such letters words or figures or the parts thereof, either in whole or in part. 15 20

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I refer to the within drawings or specimens marked A, B, C.

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